# REPORT OF SIGNIFICANT NEEDS & PROBLEMS KSBY-TV 6 FIRST QUARTER 1998

This report covers the period of Jan 1, 1998 through March 31, 1998. KSBY-TV's list of Ten Significant Needs and Problems was updated in 2nd quarter and placed in the public inspection file on April 10, 1998.

Obviously, concerns were not the same in all communities at all times. The principal concerns and needs mentioned more frequently by our survey of 664 people throughout our market were as follows:

- 1) CRIME
- 2) ECONOMY
- 3) GROWTH CONTROL/PLANNING
- 4) ENVIRONMENT
- 5) SOCIAL CONCERNS
- 6) EDUCATION
- 7) HEALTH CONCERNS
- 8) GOVERNMENT/LOCAL & STATE
- 9) IMMIGRATION
- 10) NATURAL DISASTERS/SAFETY

Interviews were conducted in December 1993.

KSBY-TV 6 is committed to providing quality programming that addresses these prevalent issues in our community.





### Significant Needs And Problems As Addressed By KSBY Programming:

#### First Quarter 1998

California Country: Program geared towards the local and regional agricultural community. Aired 13 times at 5:30AM Saturdays.

National Geographic: On Assignment: Monthly educational series from the publishers of National Geographic targeting all demographics and dealing with everything from endangered species awareness to the global ecosystem and saving our planet. Aired 1/4 @ 10AM, 2/8 @ 10:30AM and 3/8 @ 10:30AM.

National Geographic Specials: Series of specials on NBC from the publishers of National Geographic targeting all demographics and dealing with everything from endangered species awareness to the global ecosystem and saving our planet.

Don't Say Goodbye aired 1/24 @ 8:00PM Sea Monsters aired 2/25 @ 8:00PM

Decision '98 Political Debate was a thirty minute Action News special aired to provide political candidates Bordanoro, Firestone and Capps a forum to familiarize the local voting community with the goals and beliefs of each individual as well as allow questions from the community to be asked live via telephone. Aired 1/8 @ 6:30PM.

President Clinton's State Of The Union Address/NBC News Analysis/Republican Response aired 1/27 @ 6PM.

NBC News Special: A Closer Look: The President In Crisis aired 1/28 @ 10AM.

The American Hero Awards: Honoring our nation's most heroic individuals, The City Of Hope's program recognizes those few extraordinary people, whose courage and belief helped them overcome incredible odds. Aired 3/14 @ 7PM.

# Significant Needs and Problems as Addressed by the Community Affairs Department Month of January 1998

#### **Public Service Announcements**

A total of 838 announcements were run during the month of January 1998. The breakdown as to which specific community needs they addressed is as follows:

1. 2.	Planning and Growth Water Conserve Water	None
3.	Housing Homeonwer's Tax Exemption	76
4.	Government Involvement Americorp Peace Corp CA Vet Memorial	None 50 12 3
5.	Social Services	
	Special Olympics United Way C.A.R.E.	54 20 2
6.	Animals Charles Paddock Zoo/Benefit Canine Companion Volunteers	None 77 3 26
7.	Senior Citizens	None
8.	Health Information/Services Red Cross HIV/ Condoms Healthy Babies/Tightrope Diabetes TMYK/Chlamydia Narcotics Anonymous Dyslexia Skin Cancer YMCA	45 24 23 29 21 26 6 1
9.	Environment SLO Land Conservancy CA State Parks Keep CA Beautiful American Oceans	None 5 22 3

10. Traffic Control	None
11. Children/Education	
Family Values	20
More You Know/Children's Issues	128
Mentor Alliance	20
4-H Club	2
Boy Scouts	2
Stephanie Snow Fundraiser	7
Natpe/Inspirational	31
TMYK/Children-TV	6
TMYK/Abuse	5
College Fund	25
TMYK/School	8
12. Crime	None
13. Safety	
Safety Belts	12
Learn From A Dummy	4
14. Consumer Information	None

### 15. Community Events

Hospice Fun Run

# **Community Calendar**

There were a total of 414 Community Calendars that ran during the month of January 1998. Topics include: activities, seniors, meetings, arts and children.

42

# **Station Tours**

There were 3 tours given during the month of January 1998.

January 3 Cub Scouts

January 21 3rd grade Cub Scouts

January 28 Ocean School children with disabilities

# **Speaking Engagements**

There were a total of 10 speaking engagements during the month of January 1998. They were as follows:

January 5	Barry Pintar	Natural History Museum	10:30-11:30 AM
January 9	Kimberley Maus	Arroyo Grande Womens Club	12:00-1:30 PM
January 9	Rob Mayeda	Nipomo Elementary School	10:00 AM
January 13	John Summer	Five Cities Rotary	12:00-1:30 PM
January 14	Barry Pintar	Morro Bay High School	10:30-11:35 PM
January 14	Sharon Graves	Del Mar Elementary	2:00-2:30 PM
January 18	John Summers	SLO Symphony/ Bach n' Bowl	1:00-5:00 PM
January 21	Angel Robinson	Grover Heights Career Exploration	9:00-10:20 AM
January 28	Kimberly Maus	SLO Rotary	12-1:30 PM
January 29	Sharon Graves	Oceano School	12:45-1:10 PM

# Significant Needs and Problems as Addressed by the Community Affairs Department Month of February 1998

# **Public Service Announcements**

A total of 1310 announcements were run during the month of February 1998. The breakdown as to which specific community needs they addressed is as follows:

1.	Planning and Growth	
	Future Community Summit	54
	O'Connell Small Business	19
2.	Water	
	Conserve CA Water	٠. 9
3.	Housing	
	Tax Exempt	47
4.	Government Involvement	
	Peace Corps	9
	Americorps	33
5.	Social Services	
	Daffodil Days	174
	Foster Parents	20
	Careers Paralyzed	1
	SLO Historical Society	3
	C.A.R.E.	4
•	Boy Scouts	15
	Hotline Volunteers	28
	Special Olympics	32
6.	Animals	None
7.	Senior Citizens	
	Local Senior Centers	28
8.	Health Information/Services	
	Sacdui	2
	Condoms	23
	Tightrope/Healthy Babies	23

	Skin Cancer	1
	YMCA	4
	Pediatric AIDS	
	Teen Suicide Boys	2 2
	Red Cross	35
	TMYKSalt n-Pepa (Babies)	6
	Diabetes	33
	Cher	5
	Stephanie Snow	3
	Child Progress Report	4
	Narcotics Anonymous	23
	Chlamydia	7
9.	Environment	
	Exploration Year	2
	Fess Parker Adopt a Highway	4
	American Beauty	9
	CA State Parks	23
10.	Traffic Control	
11.	Children/Education	
	Family Values	6
	Kids in Back	5
	TMYK/ Children's Issues	84
	4-H Club	3
	Michael Jordan	18
	Values/ Umbrella	11
	Camp Fire Club	1
	Mom & Dad Safe	4
	TMYK-Shields	2
	Good JobCollege	23
	Field Offer- Save the Children	4
	Inspirational	23
12.	Crime	
	Somebody's Child	2
	Rape/ Elevator	6
13.	Safety	
	Local Disaster/Red Cross	14
	Weather Guide	95
	Safety Belt	10
	Sandbagging	31
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### 14. Consumer Information

Moon IRS	31
15. Community Events	
Three Dog/Rotary	63
Peking Opera	58
Criterium, Cal Poly	38
Fun Run	91

# **Community Calendar**

There were a total of 342 Community Calendars that ran during the month of February 1998. Topics included activities, seniors, meetings, arts and children.

#### **Station Tours**

There were 6 tours given during the month of February 1998.

February 6	Nipomo Elementary
February 11	Teach School
February 19	Normal Life
February 20	CA Coast Language Academy
February 24	Brownies
February 26	Cultural International Group

# **Speaking Engagements**

There were a total of 7 speaking engagements during the month of February 1998. They were as follows:

February 25	Kim Maus Kim Maus	Ocean View Elementary Nipomo Elementary Lion's Club Cal Poly Markting Club Cal Poly Psi Phi Epsilon Phi Chapter	1:15-2:00 PM 1:30-2:15 PM 12:00 -1:30 PM 11:20-12 PM 7:30-8:15 PM
February 27	Rob Mayeda	Bishops Peak Elementary	1:00-1:40 PM

# **KiSBY Engagements**

There was 1 KiSBY engagment during the month of Febuary 1998.

February 14	Sierra Vista Hospital	2-4 PM
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# Significant Needs and Problems as Addressed by the Community Affairs Department

#### Month of March 1998

#### **Public Service Announcements**

A total of 1,101 announcements were run during the month of March 1998. The breakdown as to which specific community needs they addressed is as follows.

1. Planning and Growth. Small Business Fair	5
2. Water	
Conserve CA, Water	3
3. Housing	
	none
4. Government Involvement	
Peace Corps	4
CARE	7
Americorps One Goal  5. Social Services	34
Foster Parents	22
Special Olympics	23 35
United Way	35 3
Volunteers	3 27
	21
6. Animals	
	none
7. Senior Citizens	
Senior Centers	45
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8. Health Information Services	
Red Cross	64
Amer. Cancer Society Condoms	2
Healthy Baby	25
Diabetes	25
Dyslexia	29
Narcotics Anonymous	4
Chlamydia	25 4
Cinamydia	4
9. Environment	
CA. State Parks	25
	200
10. Traffic Control	
CHP/School Bus Lights	27
11. Children/ Education	•
John Summer/ MYK Family Values	7
MYK/Television/School/Talk to Kids	77
Violence Prevention	3
4-H	1
Camp Fire/Incredible Kid Day	27
Shriner's Hospital	29

	Peter & Wolf/Symphony Big Brothers/Big Sisters College Fund Boy Scouts Save The Children Cuesta Calendar Natpe/Inspirational YMCA	58 74 25 12 5 31 25 1
12. Cri	me	
	Violence and Me	3
	Somebodies Child/ Abuse	l
	Narcotics Anonymous	2
	Not An Invitation to Rape Me	17
13. Safe	ety	
	Earthquake Preparedness	6
	Safety Belts	1
	Weather Guides/El Nino	16
	Sandbagging	1
14.Con	sumer Information	
	IRS/E-Mail Returns	21
15. Cor	nmunity Events	
	Foundation for Performing Arts	28
	Cuesta Biathlon	52
	I Madonnari Street Painting	31
	Gilbert Ballet	21
	Coastal Valley Symphony	63
	AIDS Fund-raiser	46

# **Community Calendar**

There were a total of 343 Community Calendars that ran during the Month of March 1998. Topics include: activities, meetings, arts, seniors and children.

#### **Station Tours**

There were a total of 7 tours given during the month of March 1998:

March 5	Cuesta College Television Production	College
March 10	Cub Scouts	8 year olds
March 12	Cuesta College Class	College
March 13	Camp Fire Girls	14 year olds
March 26	Cub Scouts	8 year olds
March 25	Pacheco School	4th graders
March 27	Cub Scouts	4th graders

# **Speaking Engagements**

There were a total of 18 speaking engagements during the month of March 1998:

March 2 March 2 March 4 March 5 March 9 March 10 March 11 March 12 March 14 March 16 March 18 March 18 March 19 March 19 March 19	Ty Ray Lori Parker Rob Mayeda Kim Maus Tony Cipolla Sharon Graves Rob Mayeda Sharon Graves Several anchors John Summer Sharon Graves Barry Pintar Angel Robinson Kim Maus	Model A Ford Club Nightingale School Greenhills School DBIA/SLO Cal Poly Journ. Class Templeton Middle School Sunnyside School No. Oceano School Women's Shelter Fashion Show Cambria Anonymous Neighbors Parkfield Elementary Morro Bay High School Arroyo Grande High School Mission College Prep	8:00pm 10am 1pm 6:15pm 10am 1:30pm 1:00pm 1:00pm 1:00pm 1:00pm 1:00pm 1:30am 9:00am 1:15pm
March 19	Angel Robinson	Morro Bay High School Arroyo Grande High School	10:30am 9:00am
March 20 March 21 March 25 March 25	Sharon Graves Marcy Farino Rob Mayeda Sharon Graves	San Gabriel Elementary Spring Cheer Expo Templeton Elementary Shell Beach Elementary	1:30pm 9:00am 1:15pm 2:15pm

# **KiSBY Appearances**

There was 1 KiSBY apperance during the month of March 1998:

March 14

Megielito Elementary/Lompoc

12-2pm

# FCC REPORTS CRIME JANUARY 1998

NEWS FEATURE January 3, 1998

6,11pm 3:05

It has been almost five months since the fatal shooting of Christina Oruch at the Vandenberg Federal Credit Union. Finally after all that time it looks as if all the men involved in the shooting have been captured. The final suspect, Shauncy Lamont Bowen was arrested in Santa Monica earlier this afternoon.

NEWS FEATURE January 5, 1998

5,6,11pm 5:00

He was accused of going on a weekend crime spree that started in Gardenia and ended in Paso Robles. Now one year later...Mauro Gumpal appeared back in a San Luis Obispo courtroom. This is his preliminary hearing. The crimes occured last January but it was determined Gumpal was not fit to stand trial. So his court proceedings were put on hold. Since that time Gumpal has been at the Atascadero State Hospital...awaiting today's hearing.

NEWS FEATURE January 5, 1998

5,6,11pm 6:20

The final suspect in the shooting at Vandenberg Federal Credit Union in Lompoc makes his first appearance in court today. After five months Shauncy Bowen is finally captures this weekend in Santa Monica. He faces six felony counts...including the murder of Lompoc mother Christine Oriouch.

NEWS FEATURE January 5, 1998

11pm

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There is a mystery in Santa Barbara tonight. A dead body. Investigators say the body of 30 year old Greg Berman was found in a car on West Micheltorena this morning. No one knows why. An autopsy shows nothing so far. They're now waiting for the results of a toxicology test.

NEWS FEATURE January 5, 1998

6pm

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The search is on in Santa Barbara tonight after a high speed chase through Goleta ends with a CHP officer knocked unconcious...and the suspect on the loose. The suspects name is Arnoldo Mendoza Montano. He is a 37 year old hispanic male. He is 5'9", 150 pounds with black hair and brown eyes. Any one who sees him should call the CHP at 967-1234.

NEWS FEATURE January 6, 1998

5,6pm

1:05

Snata Maria police seized more than a pound and a half of methamphetamine and some heroin at a local hotel overnight. Almost \$70,000 worth of drugs in all. 29 year old Marcos Manzanares was arrested at the Holiday Motel early Monday morning. Police say he and 17 year old Raul Valle were in a motel room when they were caught. Both men are in jail at the moment and their bail has been set at \$100,000 each.

NEWS FEATURE January 6, 1998

11pm

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Beware of bad checks...the San Luis Obispo sheriff's office is once again asking banks and businesses to watch out for bogus business checks. Blank checks have been stolen from several area companies. Then they're forged and passed.

NEWS FEATURE January 7, 1998

11pm

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Lompoc police thought they'd just found drugs, they found drugs and something else..a bomb. This morning Lompoc police served a search warrant in the 700 block of First Avenue. They found the drugs they were looking for...at Dale Travis' home. But while searching the kitchen they caught the sight of a pipe bomb. At least five people were evacuated...so that the bomb squad could move in and take care of it. Tonight everyone is back home, everyone except Travis, he's in jail.

NEWS FEATURE January 7, 1998

11pm

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Santa Barbara police tried to nab some drugs too. Not easy. 31 year old Michael Lynn was driving his Ford Tempo when police spotted him on the 101. He was wanted for selling drugs and a parole violation. So when police spotted him, they took off. Trying to outrun the police...Lynn drove on curbs and sidewalks in downtown Goleta. Theat's when he crached into a light pole. No one was hurt, not even Lynn, who was arrested at the scene.

NEWS FEATURE January 7, 1998

11pm

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There is a display of lots of neat stuff, stolen stuff that has been recovered. Over a hundred thoudsand dollars worth, either shop lifted or taken from loading docks was recovered today. 47 year old Jerry Vaughan is the man police pegged, as the probable sticky fingers.

NEWS FEATURE January 8, 1998

5,6,11pm

4:35

The 4th and final suspect in the Vandenberg Federal Credit Union shooting is back in court today. Police captured Shauncey Bowen at his ex-wife's apartment in Santa Monica last week.

NEWS FEATURE January 8, 1998

11pm

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Seven proison inmates are in more trouble tonight. One of them, in our own backyard. All are under federal indictment on charges of filing false tax returns in an effort to get money from the IRS. Investigators say it happened in 1994 and 1997. The inmates were at the California Men's Colony at the time. One is still there. The others are at different prisons.

NEWS FEATURE January 8, 1998

11pm

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A Santa Barbara man pleads guilty to a federal charge tonight. 36 year old Thomas Kasper faces a maximum sentence of life in prison for interfering with an airline flight last year. However, the US Attorneys office says he'll likely receive less than ten years. Kasper;s companion is also charged. Susan Callihan of Goleta, goes to trial on Tuesday.

NEWS FEATURE January 9, 1998

5,11pm

5:00

A teenager is dead, police say at the hands of another teen...a young man with a very familiar last name. Anthony Fiorella is wanted for murder tonight. He is the older brother of Joseph Fiorella...the first of three boys to admit murdering Elyse Pahler on the Nipomo mesa. It happened after an arguement between to victims brother and Fiorella outside Boston Market in Arroyo Grande.

NEWS FEATURE January 9, 1998

5pm

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The drug is called "ecstasy" and drug agents picked up a pile of it at a home in San Luis Obispo...along with James Wigger. Investigators say a package was sent to Wigger from Holland. They intercepted it...tested the contents...and confirmed it contained about 400 tablets of the drug MDMA or Ecstasy. they delivered the package to Wigger, who accepted it, and then was arrested.

NEWS FEATURE January 9, 1998

11pm

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If you've lost some jewelry to a burglar lately, Santa Barbara police may have your goods. They found someone who happened to have a lot of loot on them. Ladies jewelry, mostly gold with some precious stones. Police say the items were picked up in one or more home burgularies.

NEWS FEATURE January 10, 1998

6,11pm

2:00

A manhunt continues tonight for a teen murder suspect on the Central Coast. Anthony Fiorella has been on the run for about 48 hours now. Although authorities have several leads, nothing has panned out yet.

NEWS FEATURE January 11, 1998

6.11pm

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It's now been three days of instesive searching for the murder suspect Anthony Fiorella. Police thought they may have had their man last night, there was no such luck. Any one who has seen or heard from Fiorella is urged to call the Grover Beach Police.

NEWS FEATURE January 14, 1998

11pm

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Three young people charged in a daylight carjacking in San Luis Obispo will be tried together. Sonia Martinez, Antonio Garcia adn Jeremiah Powe are accused of carjacking a tourist, putting her in the trunk of her Jaguar and taking off. The victim later escaped, but investigators say the three didn't stop there. Later that day caught by a surveilliance camera at a department store, they were caught using the victims credit cards. They're scheduled for trial on January 21st.

NEWS FEATURE January 14, 1998

11pm

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There has been a shooting in Atascadero tonight. It took place at Chalk Mountain Liquor on El Camino Real. The victim is a 26 year old male. The wounds are not life threatning. The motive is unknown and the police are still looking for the shooter.

NEWS FEATURE January 15, 1998

5pm

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An Atascadero man remains in the hospital tonight with bullet holes in his leg and side after an unusualshooting incident last night. Witnesses say Preston Wooden was arguing

with his estranged wife, outside the Chalk Mountain Liquor Stroe, when a masked man ran up and shot him. The incident took place in front of the couples children. The gunman remains on the loose.

NEWS FEATURE January 15, 1998

5,11pm :5

A man and a woman accused of stealing a baby from protective custody on the Central Coast faces a year in prison. 53 year old Dennis Eslick and 41 year old Kathleen Wyttenberg pleaded no contest to child abduction. Eslick also plead the same to unlawful taking of a motor vehicle. Wyttenberg was charged with kidnapping her newborn from General Hospital in October. Eslick was accused of helping. The two werelater captured in Santa Barbara.

NEWS FEATURE January 15, 1998

11pm :30

the Santa Barbara woman accused of kicking in a cockpit door during a flight to Los angeles says she didn't do it. Today, during her trial, 28 year old Susan Callihan told jurors that she was actually trying to save passengers from her ex-boyfriend Thomas Kasper. Callihan could face 20 years in prison, if convicted of interfering with the duties of a flight crew.

NEWS FEATURE January 16, 1998

5pm :40

We now know the cause of one of the worst traffic accidents in the history of the Central Coast. The California Highway Patrol released its investigation of the Highway 1 crash last September that took 11 lives. A detailed analysis of the accident scene, the vehicles and other physical evidence, indicates that one of the drivers, Michael Bucci...caused the crash. Bucci had cocaine and other drugs in his system. His pickup truck crossed the center line at almost 80 miles an hour, running head on into a van filled with farm workers and their families. The driver of the van also had cocaine in his system.

NEWS FEATURE January 16, 1998

6pm :25

A popular shopping area in downtown Santa Barbara becomes the scene for a violent attack. Last evening a woman was mugged as she walked to her car parked in a city lot on Chapalia Street. the woman in her 40's was beaten so badly she may have neurological damage. the suspect is still on the loose, the only description so far is of a man wearing dark clothing, a ski mask, and carrying a steel bar.

NEWS FEATURE January 18, 1998

6,11pm :45

Santa Maria was the scene for a late night stabbing after a party. It happened just before 2 am in 200 block of East Newlove. Police say 19 year old Jesus hernandez suffered a puncture wound to the abdomen and a cut to his lip. The suspect and others were reportedly drinking beer outside a home when the attack occured.

NEWS FEATURE January 18, 1998

6,11pm :5

Santa Maria police are still looking for a suspect in a robbery and attempted carjacking on East Main Street last night. The suspect reportedly approached an elderly man brandishing a chrome revolver. He ended up taking the mans wallet and fleeing. the suspect is described as a hispanic male in his late teens or early twenties.

NEWS FEATURE January 19, 1998

6pm

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Santa maria police are still investigating two crimes from over the weekend. They are searching for a suspect who stabbed and injured a 19 year old after a party. they are also searching for a hispanic man who robbed and attempted to carjack an elderly man.

NEWS FEATURE January 19, 1998

6pm

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Road rage on a stretch of Santa Barbara freeway ends when the suspect crashes into the victim at the police station. Officers say that Francisco Silva Jr. chased down a Toyota yesterday after he believed he had been cut off. Silva was apparently so angry he rammed into the Toyota twice as they sped down Carillo Street.

NEWS FEATURE January 20, 1998

5,6pm

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The San Luis Obispo Police are still looking for a man who made off with the money from a Unocal Gas Station on Taft Street. Police say a man walked in and asked for change to make a phone call, then pulled out a gun and demanded the cash. He's described as a white male approx 35 years of age with reddish blonde hair.

NEWS FEATURE January 20, 1998

6,11pm

3:00

Illegal drugs and an elderly care center usually aren't heard in the same scenario, but this time they are. A Santa Maria man has been arrested for selling methamphetamine from an elderly care center.

NEWS FEATURE January 21, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:20

A traffic collision at a notorious section of Highway One takes the life of an elderly woman. Morro Bay Police are still working the scene of the crash. The victim was a passenger in the car crossing Highway One at Yrba Buena. A man driving a pickup southbound on One, hit the car broadside, killing the passenger and injuring the driver.

NEWS FEATURE January 23, 1998

5,6,11pm

3:35

A pipebomb went off at Cabrillo High School injuring two students. The students had brought the bomb to school because they thought it was neat, it exploded after many failed attempts by the students. They used gasoline for the final explosion.

NEWS FEATURE January 23, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:00

A well-known horse trainer in Los Olivos is under arrest for making meth-amphetamines/38 year old Gene Suiter and three others were arrested last night. Deputies say an informant led detectives to Suiter's home on his fathers Los Olivos Ranch.

NEWS FEATURE January 23, 1998

11pm

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A former navy recruiter at Camp San Luis is under indictment tonight for imbezzlement, from the US Army. Jeffery Cangialosi is charged with stealing checks from the army, and then depositing them into his own account. Total amount of \$25,000. The indictment was returned without Cangialosi around to hear it. He's on the run, and a warrent has been issued for his arrest.

FCC REPORTS ECONOMY JANUARY 1998

# FCC REPORTS GROWTH CONTROL/PLANNING JANUARY 1998

NEWS FEATURE January 1, 1998

5pm

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Yesterday staff experts on the California Coastal Commission said the planned resort on San Simeon Point is not appropriate for that site. This comes after the Hearst Golf Course was planned for the site. Opponets are elated while supporters of the 650 unit project caution that the recommendation is only that, a recommendation. They also point out the commission is not bound to follow it. the 12 member Coastal Commission is set to vote on the land use plan on January 15th.

NEWS FEATURE January 5, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:05

If you live north of Santa Barbara, and have been trying to cacth a train...things may be getting easier for you. Amtrack says its proposed Goleta Depot is now on the fast track to completion. Complications with the Union Pacific track work has delayed the proposed stop for a couple of years. But now the Amtrack sats weather permitting, the outdoor platform will be open for business some time in March.

NEWS FEATURE January 6, 1998

6,11pm

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San Luis Obispo is trying to bridge the gap between its past and its future. The city needs to replace a bridge over San Luis Creek. Parts of that bridge are under downtown buildings, hidden from view, and falling apart. The cost to replace...anywhere from 3 to 8 million dollars. Local businesses are concerned, because construction could take a couple of years and that could mean lost revenue.

NEWS FEATURE January 6, 1998

11pm

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Another waterway is about to get a face lift. lake Cachuma. Santa Barbara County Supervisors accepted an almost \$300,000 state grant. It will help perk up the parks boat launching facilities. Wider boat ramps and improved parking areas. Fishing and boating are big there. Work could begin next year.

NEWS FEATURE January 14, 1998

5,6,11pm

4:15

It seems like everyting is going up, including parking meter fees in San Luis Obispo. But, with that also comes new meters. The new ones are electronic and also take dimes.

NEWS FEATURE January 14, 1998

5,11pm

1:45

The general manager of the Mid State fair doesn't know if her job is secure or not. There was a meeting held in which "the future of the fair" was discussed. This makes Judy King a little on edge.

NEWS FEATURE January 14, 1998

5,6,11pm

4:50

The visiting Coastal Commission got a chance to tour San Luis Obispo County today. Their day started in Los Osos, then Cambria and then to San Simeon.

NEWS FEATURE January 17, 1998

6pm

1:05

A tour was held at Unocal in attempts to ease some of their minds. Especially after some of the more recent things that have happened involving the tanks. The odor from the removal process has caught a few people off guard and now the company hopes to put everyone's mind at ease.

FCC REPORTS ENVIRONMENT JANUARY 1998

### FCC REPORTS SOCIAL CONCERNS JANUARY 1998

NEWS FEATURE January 1, 1998

5,6,11pm 2:55

It was found this morning near the Morro Bay Rock. A dead baby whale. The whale is thought to be a newborn female calf. It weighs more than 1000 pounds. The whale was reported to the coast guard, who in turn contacted the Marine Mammal Center. Local volunteers protected and preserved the whale until it could be transferred to the center. The whole incident is still a mystery to everyone, and only time and investigation will answer the questions raised today.

NEWS FEATURE January 1, 1998

5,6pm

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The first baby of the new year belonged to Jennifer and Roberto Sanchez. Little Joshua Samuel Sanchez was born at 4:44 am, weighing in at 7 pounds, 9 ounces.

NEWS FEATURE January 2, 1998

5,11pm

2:20

A newborn grey whale was found on the shore near the Morro Bay Rock yesterday. Experts are still trying to figure out why the female calf died and washed ashore.

### FCC REPORTS EDUCATION JANUARY 1998

NEWS FEATURE January 1, 1998

11pm

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Students at Cal Poly are blossoming with excitement. Their flota captured the "Founder's Award" at the Rose Parade this year. The name of the float is "A Country-Side Joy Ride". The students created it in two parts with the students from Cal Poly Pomona. This is the 50th year Cal Poly has built a float for the Tournament of Roses Parade.

NEWS FEATURE January 4, 1998

6,11pm

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After tonight, Cal Poly students won't need to look for much to do. They'll be plenty busy with fresh loads of homework. Students head back to class after a long holiday vacation. Those who have travelled returned to a soggy campus. Many other Central Coast schools will also wake up to the shool bell tomorrow. You can bet many students are already looking forward to spring break.

NEWS FEATURE January 5, 1998

5pm

1:40

Dozens of area elementary children start the new year in the middle of a battle. Teachers and the superintendent in Atascadero are at odds over a plan to have kindergarten teachers help in other classes.

NEWS FEATURE January 14, 1998

5,11pm

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Tonight is the decision for the Santa Barbara School District. The board met tonight to cast their votes to stop or continue Spainsh education in the local schools. The meeting was still in progress at newscast time but the board was supposed to vote tonight.

NEWS FEATURE January 14, 1998

6.11pm

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Teachers in Santa Maria Bonita School District are hitting the picket lines again. About 400 of them are outside the school board meeting. The teachers still have not been able to agree on a contract and want to be heard. The district says it made a fair offer, the teachers disagree. The state mediator came to help last December but to no avail.

NEWS FEATURE January 23, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:15

Some Santa Barbara school teachers spent the morning picketing in front of the district offices. They say they are dissatisfied with the boards decision to end bilingual education.

NEWS FEATURE January 23, 1998

11pm

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Atascadero teachers association ratified a new contract this afternoon. The agreement covers the school years through 1999.

# FCC REPORTS HEALTH CONCERNS JANUARY 1998

NEWS FEATURE January 6, 1998

5,11pm 1:00

As we first told you last week...there is a flu alert on the Central Coast...and today Santa Barbara County has declared an outbreak. And thats why it may seem like everyone you know is sniffeling and feverish. The symptoms of this years flu include a sudden high fever, body aches, runny nose, dry cough, and a soar throat. If you had a flu shot it may not protect you from all of the strain of the virus being passed around.

NEWS FEATURE January 23, 1998

5,6,11pm 2:25

Confirmed reports prove that there is no outbreak of Meningitis. Parents and students at Lompoc Adult Education Center were concerned because a 4 year old boy died of it.

### FCC REPORTS GOVERNMENT JANUARY 1998

NEWS FEATURE January 8, 1998

11pm

1:00

As governor Wilson calls for tougher gang and juvenille crime laws, local officers are applauding. We took a ride along with the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Gang Enforcement Team. They say new laws, like unsealing juvenille records for serious crimes and requiring gang members to register with local law enforcement, are much needed tools in the fight against crime.

NEWS FEATURE January 9, 1998

5,11pm

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A former Santa Barbara County teacher is sentenced for his part in a computer porn case. William Krutzen was ordered to spend 60 days in jail. Krutzen was arrested for having more than 100 images of child pornography on his computer. the judge in the case decided against having Krutzen registered as a sex offender. At the time of his arrest, Krutzen was teaching a class of 10 students with severe emotional disabilities.

NEWS FEATURE January 9, 1998

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The Santa Barbara County man who beacme unruly on a flight last summer enters a guilty plea. 36 year old Thomas Kasper and his companion, Susan Callihan, became angry after they were refused a first class upgrade. Investigators say Kasper poured hot coffee on the flight attendants, causing one to suffer second-degree burns. If convicted...Kasper could receive life in prison. His companion will stand trial opn Tuesday.

NEWS FEATURE January 12, 1998

6,11pm

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Three of the men accused of the takeover robbery and murder at the Vandenberg Federal Credit Union are back in court today. Greg Mitchell, Marcus Adams, and Derek Owens sat through a long day of pre trial motions. Trial date still hasn't been set but it should be some time in May.

NEWS FEATURE January 15, 1998

5,6pm

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Atascadero has a new Police Chief. His name is James Hegwood.

NEWS FEATURE January 23, 1998

6,11pm

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The last man arrested in the Lompoc, Vandenburg Federal Credit Union murder and robbery, pleads not guilty. Shauncy Bowen finally showed up with a court appointed attorney. He faces six felony counts including the murder of Christine Orchiuch.

NEWS FEATURE January 23, 1998

5,6,11pm

2:25

A Santa Maria teenager will spend time behind bars. Toby Trujillo was sentenced today. He will spend two and a half years in prison.

FCC REPORTS IMMIGRATION JANUARY 1998

# FCC REPORTS NATURAL DISASTERS/SAFETY JANUARY 1998

NEWS FEATURE January 2, 1998

5.6pm

1:05

The little Santa Maria boy who was involved in a boating accident on lopez Lake has died. Cottage Hospital representatives tell us that eight year old Francisco Chavez never regained consciousness. the boy was under water for about ten minutes on Tuesday...before rescuers managesd to free him from the submerged boat. His cousin Daniel, was released from the hospital yesterday.

NEWS FEATURE January 3, 1998

6,11pm

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The wet weather paid it's final toll on a huge tree. No one or nothing was hurt but motorists faced the closure of one lane on Santa Rosa between Monterey and Higuera. It took the whole day for the city works department to clean up.

NEWS FEATURE January 5, 1998

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Rain was responsile for an unusual accident in downtown San Luis Obispo Sunday. Police say a huge tree came creshing down. The car parked in from of San Luis Obispo Donuts was not damaged, it only needs to be washed. Motorists faced the closure of one lane on Santa Rosa between Monterey and Higuera.

NEWS FEATURE January 5, 1998

5pm

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A weekend fire at a popular San Luis Obispo restaurant means all reservations are off for the next couple of weeks. It happened at Buona Tavola Restaurant on Monterey Street when a fire broke out above the kitchen. Restaurant employees noticed the smoke right away and called 911.

NEWS FEATURE January 9, 1998

11pm

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A Santa maria family recovers from poisoning tonight. Nine members of the Encinas family ended up at the Marian Medical Center on Wednesday. Two adults and seven children...all suffering from carbon monoxide poisoning. The source...a charcoal bar-b-que pit brought into their home during a cold wave.

NEWS FEATURE January 20, 1998

6,11pm

2:35

There has been a fatal accident in the Paso Robles area. It happened about a mile west of Highway 101.

NEWS FEATURE Janaury 20, 1998

11pm

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An elderly woman survives after her home caught fire. Her neighbor saved her. The fire department says the fire started in the furnace closet.

NEWS FEATURE January 21, 1998

5,11pm

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Highway One south of Lompoc is closed to through traffic. Debris from a rock slide coveres the roadway, and they say it will take a few days to clean up.

NEWS FEATURE January 23, 1998 A water main broke on top of the hill near 11pm

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# FCC REPORTS CRIME FEBRUARY 1998

NEWS FEATURE February 1, 1998

11pm

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Two similar attacks, within one minute of each other. Santa Maria police are looking for four men who attacked two people tonight with crow bars, sending one of them to the hospital. Both attacks occured separately about 20 minutes before six. Police say in one case on south Railroad two gang type males attacked a 27 year old man with a crow bar and stole \$200. That victim is in the hospital with a skull fracture. About one minute earlier on north Western two men also used a crow bar to attack a man who wouldn't give them money. That victim was hit in the mouth and did not have to go to the hospital.

NEWS FEATURE February 2, 1998

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NEWS FEATURE February 4, 1998

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the Atascadero man who led police on a high speed chase last month asks for a new judge. 26 year old Terry Reeder made the request in a San Luis Obispo courtroom today. He asked to have Judge Christopher Money excused from his case. his court appearance is now postponed until February 10th when he'll appear before another judge. Reeder is charged with resisting arrest, felony hit and run and possession of marijuana for sale.

NEWS FEATURE February 4, 1998

5,11pm

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A suspicious ticking package caught the attention of a local Pismo Beach Postal worker this morning. When he went to pick up the package, he noticed an electronic beeping sound and a ticking sound. the Bomb Squad responded and the area was closed to the public. After several hours crews detonated the supposed bomb. All they found were clocks and wallets.

NEWS FEATURE February 5, 1998

5,6,11pm

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Joseph Fiorella pleads "no contest" in the murder of Elyse Pahler. He also admitted using a knife the night the 15 year old died in a eucalyptus grove on the Nipomo Mesa. Joseph faces 26 years to life, a sentence his attorney thought was worth avoiding trial.

NEWS FEATURE February 5, 1998

5,11pm

1:00

Two teenagers convicted in an Arroyo Grande home invasion are serving time in the

same prison. Matthew Schandel and Josh Garner are now housed at Pleasant Valley State Prison in Coalinga. A prison spokesperson says the two are housed in separate yards and don't have contact with one another.

NEWS FEATURE February 5, 1998

5pm

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The man killed while trying to break into a bike shop is from the area. Santiago Razura Alvarado was found dead Monday after falling through a false ceiling. The police believe he was carrying a flashlight in his mouth and the light broke his neck on impact.

NEWS FEATURE February 5, 1998

5pm

1:20

Some Santa Barbara residents are suing their landlord, Dario Pini over their vermin infested apartment building. Thirty four residents of a Carillo St. apartment complex constantly do battle with mice. Roaches also crawl across kitchen appliances. For years the residents have complained to their landlord without any action. Pini has already served time in jail for a criminal conviction. The residents say the building qualifies as a slum. Pini also faces civil charges from the city of Santa Barbara. The city attorney filed a suit to force the landlord to fix his poorly constructed properties.

NEWS FEATURE February 5, 1998

5,11pm

1:00

Cal Poly adds \$5,000.00 to the reward for missing student Roxy Smart. That brings the total reward to \$20,000.00. Smart has now been missing for nearly nine months.

NEWS FEATURE February 6, 1998

5,6pm

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Authorities now say an elderly woman found Tuesday in a local creek was not assaulted. After interviews with the 62 year old woman, detectives believe her injuries were self-inflicted. The Orcutt woman was found in the Bradley Dip-Solomon Creek area. She had knife wounds and Hypothermia. her family had reported her missing on Monday. Now she is in the hospital and will stay there for mental and physical treatment.

NEWS FEATURE February 6, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:30

Officers say the driver who plowed through a fire hydrant last night in Santa Barbara had been drinking. The 20 year old driver if a Honda Civic swerved to avoid a Jeep and struck a fire hydrant on Foothill Road. The drivers is Paul Lodgeson. He was booked on charges of underage drinking and driving while intoxicated.

NEWS FEATURE February 7, 1998

11pm

2:25

More and more pedestrians are involved in accidents because of careless drivers. There has been an increase over the last few months because drivers feel they are superior when in fact the cyclist has the right of way.

Police have arrested a 19 year old in connection with the shooting that happened outside the Department of Motor Vehicles in Santa Maria in January. The man is Dominic Serna and he is facing attempted murder charges.

NEWS FEATURE February 14, 1998 11pm :30
Brian Krantz of Ventura has been indicted for possessing Chumash Indian remains.
He will face felony charges for possessing indian artifacts. A criminal grand jury heard testimony all week against the former "Island Adventures" company employee. He will be arraigned next Thursday in Superior court.

NEWS FEATURE February 14, 1998 5,6pm 1:00
The District Attorney's office now has the case of seven men who are accused of stealing from the UCSB campus bookstore. Campus police say they recovered \$9000 worth of stolen merchandise from the Zeta Beta Tau Fraternity House. Two men who lived there were arrested. Five other men are suspected of conspiring to steal bookstore merchandise.

NEWS FEATURE February 17, 1998 11pm :45
A woman crossing South Street was struck by a car. Police say 78 year old Inez
Rosales had just left a bus stop on South Street with her sister when she ran out
in front of a Nissan Sentra. Police are not blaming the driver of the car for the
accident.

NEWS FEATURE February 18, 1998 6pm :20
San Luis Obispo police are asking for the publics help in putting together exactly what happened at the scene of a car accident yesterday that took the life of one woman. 78 year old Inez Rosales is the victim and police are asking anyone who saw the accident to contact them.

NEWS FEATURE February 19, 1998 6pm :35
A bomb threat in Goleta causes the shut down of a manufacturing plant. The man telephoned the Applied Magnetic Corporation this morning and told the receptionist he had planted a bomb there. Employees immediately evacuated the building and shut down portions of the disk manufacturing equipment. Workers were kept out of the plant for several hours. The company's Disaster Team searched the plant but didn't find anything. Workers were eventually let back in by noon. The caller continued to make false bomb threats to the company throughout the day...his identity is still unknown.

NEWS FEATURE February 19, 1998 5,6,11pm 2:25
An area teen is sentenced to life in prison for attempting to kill her ex-boyfriends wife. 19 year old Tiffany Quincel had entered a plea of no contest. Authorities say Darrell McLauren offered Quincel \$60,000 to kill his wife. He planned to collect her insurance policy. Quincel attacked the victim at a Lompoc area park last May. But the victim fought her off.

NEWS FEATURE February 20, 1998

5,6pm

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A Paso Robles buy is in the hospital after bring hit by a car last night. Bystanders gave the 15 year old CPR after a car struck him on Oak Street. He is now in intensive acre in "guarded" condition.

NEWS FEATURE February 20, 1998

5,6pm

1:15

the man accused of raping a Santa Barbara taxi driver appeared in court today. Jerry William Hotchkiss appeared for his arraignment in Santa Barbara Superior Court. The 28 year old was just indicted this week by a criminal grand jury for raping, torturing, robbing and attempting to murder a female taxi driver.

NEWS FEATURE February 21, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:45

Police say 19 year old Dwight Austin answered an ad in the newspaper for an exotic dancer. Authorities say when Austin arrived at the dancers home, he raped and robbed her. He made the mistake of leaving his pager number on her answering machine and that is how the police caught him.

NEWS FEATURE February 21, 1998

5,6,11pm

2:45

A 34 year old man was killed in Oceano last night and no one knows who killed him. This is the first murder in San Luis Obispo County this year.

NEWS FEATURE February 22, 1998

6pm

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An Isla Vista man was stabbed in the head, arms and body, but still won't tell who did it.

NEWS FEATURE February 22, 1998

6.11pm

1:45

The men responsible for killing a man Thursday night are found. Mario Lopez and Jesse Palacios are in custody and will both be charged with murder.

NEWS FEATURE February 24, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:25

Two more people are in custody in connection with the murder of Joseph Rodriguez. Ramon Yracheta and Patricia Baird were both arrested last night.

NEWS FEATURE February 25, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:45

A Santa Barbara bank robbery leads to the arrest of a career bank robber. Thomas Palmer is in custody in Los Angeles after getting out of prison for robbing at least 42 banks. After his release police say he went at it again. They charge him with a string of robberies from Santa Barbara to Marina Del Rey. The Santa Barbara banks include Santa Barbara Bank and Trust and the Bank of America on State St.

NEWS FEATURE February 25, 1998

11pm

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A hit and run on Holly Street injures a Templeton woman...the driver..her exhusband. He left the scene after the incident and he has not yet been arrested. The womans' injuries are said not to be life threatening.

NEWS FEATURE February 25, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:15

Two men are in custody tonight for a home invasion robbery in Santa Barbara. Authorities recover the cash and shotgun stolen from the home Police are still looking for a third man identified by the victims.

NEWS FEATURE February 26, 1998

6,11pm

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The district attorney's office has filed charges in the first murder case of the year. Ramon Yrecheta, Mario Lopes and Jessie Palacios are all charged with the fatal shooting of Joseph Rodriguez in his Oceano home. Lopez is accused of pulling the trigger. A fourth person, Patricia Baird is charged with accessory to murder.

NEWS FEATURE February 26, 1998

5,6pm

1:25

James Scott Rimbach of Cambria is being sought after sheriffs deputies answered a report that someone was throwing rocks at passing cars. When a deputy tried to stop the man he pulled a knife, uttered some comments and began running. No one was hurt.

NEWS FEATURE February 26, 1998

5pm

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Nineteen year old Dwight Austin who was arrested earlier this month on rape charges, is also being charged with robbery. Investigators say Austin answered and ad for an exotic dancer. He went to her home, forced her to have sex and then robbed her.

NEWS FEATURE February 27, 1998

6pm

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The driver of a car in Montecito on East Valley road apparently driving at a high rate of speed lost control of his car and hit and electrical pole splitting it in half. The driver of the car has been taken into custody on suspicion of driving under the influence.

NEWS FEATURE February 27, 1998

5,6,11pm

4:30

A Fake ID ring in Santa Maria has been shut down after authorities raided apartments on West Newlove and West Rochelle.

NEWS FEATURE February 27, 1998

6,11pm

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Police release a picture of a man they say robbed several Santa Barbara businesses, and raped an exotic dancer. Last week police arrested Dwight Austin for the rape and robbery of an exotic dancer. Detectives used the pager he wore to track him down. After a lineup police connected Austin and another man 23 year old Joseph Brown to some armed robberies. The men are currently in jail.

NEWS FEATURE February 27, 1998

6pm

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A search of a San Luis Obispo home turns up bomb-making materials and now police are looking for their owner. San Luis Obispo officers were searching Colin Hill's home on Darmouth Street for stolen bicycles. They found several guns and bomb-making materials and literature. Hill left when police arrived. Police say they believe he is armed.

NEWS FEATURE February 28, 1998

11pm

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Police in Santa Maria make two sizeable drug busts. the biggest one puts two Orange County men in jail. They were arrested when they pulled into town this morning. Detectives say a search of their home on East Main turned up 3 pound of cocaine and methamphetamine, worth more than \$100,000 on the street. Also-Two men were arrested last night for transporting cocaine. Police say it values over \$250,000 on the street.

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### FCC REPORTS ECONOMY FEBRUARY 1998

NEWS FEATURE February 25, 1998 5pm 1:15
Some smaller banks are trying to keep down the costs of doing business by ATM. The three big banks of California, Bank of America, Wells Fargo and Home Savings and Loan now charge 1.50 to customers from other banks, that in addition to the fees the customer already pay their own banks. Today a group of seven banks, including Union Bank of California announced customers who use their ATMS will no have to pay an extra surcharge. Midstate Bank is not yet part of that coalition, but it does not impose an extra surcharge.

# FCC REPORTS GROWTH CONTROL/PLANNING FEBRUARY 1998

NEWS FEATURE February 18, 1998

5,6pm

1:40

The Santa Maria YMCA is considering a multi-purpose skate park/hockey rink on their property next to Waller Park. The 10,000 square foot park would cost about \$60,000 and take about one year to complete.

NEWS FEATURE February 19, 1998

5,6pm

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A ban on fireworks in Grover Beach, ends this year. The city council decided last night to end the 11 year old ban and allow "safe and sane" fireworks to be sold and fired in the city limits.

NEWS FEATURE February 25, 1998

5.6.11pm

3:00

Santa Barbara Hotel developer Fess Parker withdrew his proposal with the city for a five star 150 room hotel. Today Parker bought an ad in the local paper accusing the city of being anti-business. Parker states he is "unwilling to be put through the cost, expense and delay that is required for virtually every nuance of every land decision that is made in this city".

NEWS FEATURE February 26, 1998

6,11pm

1:20

A firm hired by Santa Barbara Co to look into Orcutt's proposed community plan have decided developers should pay the costs of growth in Orcutt for the next decade. The plan allows for 7,100 new homes and needed improvements. Presently Orcutt taxes don't bring in enough to cover the present services.

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### FCC REPORTS ENVIRONMENT FEBRUARY 1998

NEWS FEATURE February 25, 1998 6pm :20
Unocal may be in trouble with the law. San Luis Obispo County DA's office is saying the company failed to meet it's clean up obligations of the Guadulupe Dunes.
Unocal says it is doing what it's supposed to.

### FCC REPORTS SOCIAL CONCERNS FEBRUARY 1998

NEWS FEATURE February 15, 1998

5,6,11pm 5:50

The Spearmint Rhino is a topless club that opened up Friday night in Santa Maria. The permits look as if they are all in order, but the city is going to look into how far away from schools and churches it is.

**NEWS FEATURE** February 21, 1998

11pm

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The Santa Maria City Council meeting tonight was filled with talk of only one thing...the Spearmint Rhino Topless Bar". Tonight the floor was opened up to locals who voiced concerns about this establishment and how it will and already has affected the community. After careful calculations the City Planning Commission figured out the club is in violation of a city ordinance...it is only 480 feet from a church instead of the 500 feet it should be. The city is telling them they will have to shut down immediately or else they will take them to court.

NEWS FEATURE February 22, 1998

5,6pm

5:15

Santa Maria officials have found a way to close the controversial "Spearmint Rhino Adult Cabaret". It seems that the club is only 480 feet away from the nearest church. For everything to be legal it needed to be 500 feet from the property line. The club is having someone else measure it this week.

NEWS FEATURE February 23, 1998

5pm

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A topless dance club in Santa Maria has until tomorrow to make its next move. The city of Santa Maria says the "Spearmint Rhino Adult Cabaret" opened up too close to a church. the club has until tomorrow at five to prove the city wrong or shut down. The city surveyed the distance last week and found property line to property line, the club is less than 500 feet from St Peters Episcopal Church. the club's owner has said the law isn't clear on how that distance should be measured.

NEWS FEATURE February 24, 1998

5,6,11pm

2:20

The deadline for the Spearmint Rhino has come and gone. But the city of Santa Maria is still waiting to hear from the club. They have been turning paperwork in all day, but nothing is final yet. the city says if it is not turned in tonight they will have no other choice but to file a lawsuit against the strip club.

**NEWS FEATURE** February 25, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:20

The city of Santa Maria is taking action against a topless dance club. This evening The city attorneys office plans to file a criminal misdemeanor action against the "Spearmint Rhino". The document claims the club is violating a city ordinance.

### FCC REPORTS EDUCATION FEBRUARY 1998

NEWS FEATURE February 6, 1998

11pm

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The students at San Benito Road School in Atascadero are doing a little more these days than just Math and Science. They got a grant that is allowing the students to have a garden to learn how things grow.

NEWS FEATURE February 7, 1998

11pm

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The fight isn't over for a local Morro Bay elementary teacher. The San Luis Coastal Unified School District wants an appeals court to take a look at John Scott's case now. A lower court ruled that Mr. Scott could be removed from his fifth grade classroom...after parents sued. They claim he was abusive. The district feels it is legally obligated to handle the situation itself.

NEWS FEATURE February 11, 1998

5pm

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Crews are getting ready to clear the site for a new campus for Allan Hancock College. Construction starts this week at the campus site in Lompoc. The 18.5 million dollar project is going in along highway 1 near the Lompoc "Y". College administration hoped the project would get under way last fall, but it took longer than expected to get approval from different agencies.

NEWS FEATURE February 18, 1998

11pm

2:20

Parent's of students in John Scott's 3rd grade class at Morro Elementary School say the school board does not represent the community as a whole. They want to change that. They have served the board with recall papers. They want to recall Diane Dixson and Stuart McElhaney.

NEWS FEATURE February 18, 1998

11pm

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The San Luis Coastal School Board took a stand against a proposal. The proposal was to allow the school district to revoke any students drivers license if he or she was caught cutting school. The school board voted it down with a four to two vote.

NEWS FEATURE February 19, 1998

5pm

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Two San Luis Coastal school board members are now the target of a recall. Board members Diane Dixson and Stuart McElhaney are named in the recall. It is being organized by local parents. They are upset about the case of former Morro Elementary teacher John Scott. They are claiming they did not take a firm enough stand in this case.

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## FCC REPORTS HEALTH CONCERNS FEBRUARY 1998

NEWS FEATURE February 25, 1998 6pm :20
Students are jumping for heart at CL Smith Elementary School in San Luis Obispo.
Each year the students get a few thousand dollars in pledges which go to benefit the American Heart Association.

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### FCC REPORTS GOVERNMENT FEBRUARY 1998

NEWS FEATURE February 4, 1998

11pm

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Pismo Beach officially has a new council member. Bill Rabenault was sworn into his seat at tonight's regular meeting. Mr. Rabenault was appointed to the position last week. He takes over the seat left vacant when Paul Chapman resigned.

NEWS FEATURE February 10, 1998

5pm

:25

Walter Capps has two offices on the Central Coast. One is in San Luis Obispo and the other is in Santa Barbara.

NEWS FEATURE February 14, 1998

5,6,11pm

2:00

Today was the last day in office for Andy Takata-Atascadero's former city manager. Takata is moving on to other endeavors and says he will miss the city and it's people.

NEWS FEATURE February 18, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:25

Santa Maria city leaders vote to keep the Federal Government from regulating Comcast Cable. But the city is asking the cable company to lower its rates on basic service. Some residents have complained about the recent \$2.50 hike in price with little or no improvements in service. the city hopes the cable service will listen to them.

**NEWS FEATURE** February 19, 1998

6,11pm

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Santa Maria has hired a new Fire Chief. his name is Frank Ortiz and he comes from Lodi where he was Chief of Operations. He has also been a firefighter for more than 19 years.

NEWS FEATURE February 19, 1998

11pm

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A Lompoc woman looses her battle against a police officer. A federal jury sides with the city of Lompoc...in the womans civil rights lawsuit. Kim Elliot asked for \$500,000 in damage, saying a police officer used excessive force with her to the point of breaking her leg. The officer testified Elliot ran at him...as other officers were trying to subdue her son, after reports that he had a knife.

NEWS FEATURE February 19, 1998

6,11pm

1:00

The city of Paso robles has a new Police Chief. Lieutenant Dennis Cassidy now holds the top job. he was sworn in during a ceremony on the steps of the library this afternoon.

NEWS FEATURE February 25, 1998

5,6,11pm

2:50

Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors moved their meeting to Solvang this time, in order to hear from Santa Ynez residents who are concerned about the future of their court. The District Attorney moved the Valley's criminal cases to

Lompoc in January, saying the move would save the attorneys time and money. Opponents think it unfair for Santa Ynez residents to have to travel to Lompoc to participate in the legal system.

NEWS FEATURE February 25, 1998 5,6,11pm 3:00
The fisherman who made nationwide news last year with his stand off at sea says he'll do in again if he has to. Jim Blaes is vowing to make a stand. He says he'll never let the Coast Guard on his boat again with guns and without a search warrant. Federal Marshalls kicked in his door and arrested him a week and a half ago after Blaes failed to check in with the courts, which is a condition of his release. Blaes says this latest incident has convinced him to fight for his rights.

### FCC REPORTS IMMIGRATION FEBRUARY 1998

## FCC REPORTS NATURAL DISASTERS/SAFETY FEBRUARY 1998

NEWS FEATURE February 1, 1998

6pm

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Two local men are lucky to be alive after an accident last night. Their car missed a bridge, and drove over the side of an embankment. the highway patrol says they were traveling fast on Huasna Road, when they lost control of their Ford Taurus. We're told the car overturned and floated down Arroyo Grande Creek.

NEWS FEATURE February 1, 1998

6,11pm

4:05

Peter Rejlek, a paraglider, has been missing five days. Friends of the paraglider have new hope though. It seems someone saw the glider near Avila, now the friends have a new area to look in since they have searched all of the other possible areas.

NEWS FEATURE February 2, 1998

6,11pm

1:10

Firefighters don't have to look for the cause of an apartment fire today. Crews in San Luis Obispo found a room in an apartment in Mustang Village filled with smoke and flames. They say, the renters put a wet sofa cushion against a wall heater. It ignited just a few minutes later. It didn't take long for firefighters to knock down the blaze.

NEWS FEATURE February 6, 1998

5,6,11pm

6:05

Just before 11 today a fire broke out off of San Bernardo Road. Shelly Tieje and one of her two children were able to escape the flames, but her two year old daughter Amanda was caught in an upstairs loft and could not get out in time. Shelly's some had the worst burns and is in critical condition in a Fresno Burn Center. Investigators are still trying to figure out what started the fire.

NEWS FEATURE February 15, 1998

11pm

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A small boy has been lost since Thursday and now the search has been called off. Aaron Fliwicker is the 2 year olds name.

NEWS FEATURE February 16, 1998

6,11pm

1:40

An investigation continues into a massive house fire in Paso Robles. The people who live in the home are on vacation and have no idea that their house has burned to the ground. There has been no information on the cause yet.

NEWS FEATURE February 17, 1998

5.6pm

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A driver blames the high winds for an accident south of Los Alamos today. The driver told officers that it was raining and hailing at the same time and then a big gust of wind came up and blew his car off the road. He and his passengers were all wearing seat belts and no one was injured.

NEWS FEATURE February 24, 1998

5,6,11pm 1:40

The victim of a wreck along Highway 154 is identified as a man reported from Los Osos. Today tow crews worked to pull the wreckage of a Jeep pickup for a hillside along Highway 154. The man killed in the accident is michael Wayne Gutirrez. His girlfriend reported him missing last Friday after he didn't show up at his Hunington Beach job.

NEWS FEATURE February 26, 1998

11pm

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Nipomo fourth grader, Matthew Sampson called 911 after his Mom's pickup burst into flames. Four days earlier Matthew practiced dialing 911 at school. Dispatchers say they were impressed with the way the nine year old stayed calm and relayed information. Not much is left of the pickup, but Matthew and his Mom are ok.

# FCC REPORTS CRIME MARCH 1998

NEWS FEATURE March 4, 1998

5pm

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A woman arrested in connection with a local homicide makes an appearance in court. Patricia Baird is accused of accessory to murder in the death of Joseph "Jo Jo" Rodriguez. He was found shot to death in his Oceano home last month. Four men were also arrested in connection with the crime. Baird's arraignment is postponed until next week.

NEWS FEATURE March 5, 1998

5pm

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It all started early this morning with a stolen U-Haul ion Paso Robles. Then two teens led police cars speeding down Highway 101 and through Central Coast neighborhoods. The two drivers shot at police officers as they raced from Paso robles down through Pismo and then down to Nipomo. That's where the stolen truck stopped after running over a tack strip put down by the Highway Patrol. After a short chase on foot, police arrested the two teens.

NEWS FEATURE March 6, 1998

5,6,11pm

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The weapon believed to be the one used in the killing of Joseph Rodriguez has been found.

NEWS FEATURE March 7, 1998

5.6.11pm

1:20

A major drug bust on the south coast brings in more than \$1,000,000 of Methamphetamine. Santa Barbara County Sheriffs investigators broke up a meth lab last night. it was found on Austin Cellars Vineyard in Los Alamos. When officers moved in, those at the lab moved out. That's where the departments helicopter came in. It tracked the suspects until they could be caught.

NEWS FEATURE March 13, 1998

5,6,11pm

3:00

He wrecked his car, his passenger died, and now he is in jail. San Luis Obispo police arrested Johnny Munoz Jr. on Vehicular Manslaughter charges for his high speed crash early last Friday morning. Police say Munoz was driving 90 miles an hour and was intoxicated when his car veered off Foothill Blvd and burst into flames. His passenger, Alex Govea died. Munoz and another passenger escaped with moderate injuries.

NEWS FEATURE March 14, 1998

11pm

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Six Atascadero kids remain in protective custody tonight after police arrested their parents during a raid early this morning. Authorities searched a mobile home on Cuesta Court and found loaded handguns, hallucinogenic mushrooms, 5 pounds of Marijuana, and more than \$10,000 in Methamphetamine. But the list did not end there. Police also found bicycles, stereos, and cars believed to have been traded for drugs.

NEWS FEATURE March 15, 1998

6,11pm

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Authorities in Lompoc are looking for a man who sexually assaulted a teenage girl in broad daylight. The 17 year old says a man with a knife jumped in her car on the north side of Lompoc. He then directed the victim west of the city where he sexually assaulted and attempted to rape her. The victim was later able to flee from the man. He is described as a White Male with light eyes. Approx 28 years old.

NEWS FEATURE March 16, 1998

6,11pm

1:15

Police catch a group of teenagers after they go on a vandalism spree. Santa Maria Police arrested four teenagers ages 16 and 17 for blowing out windows in local businesses. The trail of smashed windows started at the Montgomery Wards and Vons shopping center, moved to a parked car, then an unsuccessful try at Comfort Inn. Then on to Deano's Liquor and finally to Wendy's. When police arrested the teens they found sling-shots.

**NEWS FEATURE** March 17,1998

5,6pm

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A Santa Barbara man gets jail time for a string of robberies. Sean Patrick Walsh was sentenced to 15 years in prison with a 10 year enhancement for his use of a gun during the crimes. He must also pay more than \$12,000 in restitution.

NEWS FEATURE March 17, 1998

5, 6pm

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The Santa Barbara CHP is making St. Patricks Day a little safer with a sobriety checkpoint, since St. Patricks Day tends to cause an increase in drinking.

NEWS FEATURE March 17, 1998

5,6pm

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Tonight Matt Bouslaugh is charged with 7 counts, including forcible rape, kidnapping and the use of a knife in an attack on a 17 year Lompoc girl. Police say the attack happened while she was filling up gas tank at a mini market in Lompoc.

NEWS FEATURE March 17, 1998

5,6pm

1:35

Daniel Santacruz was taken into custody after a tipster saw his picture on TV last Friday. Santacruz was caught on videotape using a murdered Hope Ranch grandmother, Bernadette Millers' ATM card. Santacruz' link to the murder is uncertain although he is being held for possessing stolen property.

NEWS FEATURE March 17, 1998

5,6pm

1:00

A former guide on Santa Cruz island pleads not guilty to charges of possessing Indian remains. Brian Kranz was arrested with two other men in January after the National Park Service conducted a 2 year investigation into Chumash grave robberies.

NEWS FEATURE March 17, 1998

6pm

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Police in Santa Barbara are searching for two teenagers after they attacked an elementary student with a bat. Police say the driver of a yellow volkswagen van became enraged when a group of students threw a rock at his van. The driver chased the kids striking one in the head with a baseball bat. The teenager is at

Cottage Hospital where he is being evaluated for his injuries.

NEWS FEATURE March 18, 1998

630a,5,6p

2:20

Santa Barbara police are looking for two teenagers who attacked another student with a bat. It happened at the Le Cumbre Middle School as students were leaving the campus for the day. Police say the driver of a yellow Volkswagen van became enraged when a group of students threw a rock at his car. The driver then chased the kids down, striking on of them in the head with a bat. An ambulance transported the victim to Cottage Hospital where he is being evaluated for his injuries. Police are still looking for the driver of the VW.

NEWS FEATURE March 18, 1998

630a.5p

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Matt Bouslaugh is charges with seven counts including forcible rape, and the use of a knife. Police say he kidnapped and sexually assaulted a young Lompoc woman in broad daylight. They say a 17 year old was filling up her gas tank at AM-PM market in Lompoc when Matt forced his way into her car through an unlocked door. The young woman escaped with only minor injuries.

NEWS FEATURE March 18, 1998

5pm

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20 year old Juan Salazar told police that he was sleeping on the floor of his home when someone came to the door and stabbed him in the stomach, when he tried to run he was stabbed again in the back. After that the person just left, no reason given.

NEWS FEATURE March 18, 1998

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Santa barbara police are busy trying to catch a bank robber who held up a teller at Bank of America. Around 12:30 yesterday afternoon a white male handed the teller a demand note. He made off with an undetermined amount of cash. the suspect is described as a man in his 40 to 50's with a moustache. He is also possibly connected with another bank robbery that happened in January.

NEWS FEATURE March 20, 1998

5pm

2:45

Last month a man was passing counterfeit traveller's checks in Santa Barbara County, now some have been spotted in San Luis Obispo County. The Pismo Beach Outlet Stores is where they police held a counterfeit seminar today to let merchants know just how to spot them.

NEWS FEATURE March 22, 1998

6,11pm

1:00

Santa Barbara police are looking for the man responsible for an armed robbery at The Video Vault. The suspect entered the business on San Andreas Street at approximately 9:30pm. He told the clerk he had a gun in his pocket but never actually displayed it. The man escaped with approximately \$150.00. He is described as a white male in his 20's. He stands about 5'10" tall with a slim build. He has bushy blonde hair that's possibly a wig, and he also has a small moustache.

A group of good samaritans make a Santa Barbara woman's day. A Santa Barbara mother holding a birthday party at a Goleta restaurant had her purse snatched. A 13 year old grabbed to bag from a cafe chair and ran. A group of people in the parking lot responded to the woman's screams and chased after the young culprit.

NEWS FEATURE March 24, 1998

11pm

1:30

A high speed chase tonight lands a woman in jail and a few Cal Poly students in the rough. Police pulled over Pamela Gingg for speeding near highway 1 at highway 46. But when the officer noticed a crossbow and some knife sheaths, the situation took a turn for the worse. When he questioned her about the stuff, she accelerated her vehicle and tried to hit Officer Thompson...who was on foot at the time.

NEWS FEATURE March 25, 1998

5,6pm

3:00

A Los Osos woman is behind bars after a high speed chase last night. 37 year old Pamela Gingg is in jail today after she tried to hit an officer with her truck after he stopped her for a minor traffic violation.

NEWS FEATURE March 25, 1998

6,11pm

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Lompoc police are investigating a case of attempted murder. Last night they responded to a fight on East College. there they found Stephen Martin-Petty lying on the ground with stab wounds all over his body. He was apparently beaten with a pool cue stick and a broom stick as well. He is listed in stable condition tonight.

NEWS FEATURE March 26, 1998

5,6pm

1:05

A crime victim is praising a few good samaritans that helped her out of a bad situation. Terri Smith's purse was stolen off of a bench while she was at a birthday party. The 13 year old picked up the purse and ran off. A group of nearby people notice the scenario and chased after the thief. They caught him in the parking lot.

NEWS FEATURE March 26, 1998

6,11pm

1:00

There is a scam going around Santa Barbara. It is an internet scam trying to get you to sign up with the yellow pages, but don't be naive. It is a scam.

NEWS FEATURE March 26, 1998

5.6.11pm

3:05

An Ojai couple is caught after stealing news stand coin boxes in the Santa Ynez Valley. Detectives say they used bolt cutters to get the coin boxes off news stands all over the Santa Ynez Valley.

NEWS FEATURE March 29, 1998

11pm

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An elderly man is attacked at gunpoint and now police are looking for the teen who did it. San Luis Obispo police say the teenage suspect approached the 82 year old victim and his daughter at the Laguna Lake Village Golf Course on Los Osos Valley Road. First he asked them for the time and then forced his way into the back seat of their car. the victim's daughter jumped out and ran for help and the teen fled.

NEWS FEATURE March 30, 1998

6,11pm

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Lompoc police say someone fired about six bullets into an apartment in the 600 block of North Fourth Street, That's when 21 year old Latoya Cox went out the window. She fell hurting her ankle. No one was seriously hurt and the motive is unknown. The information about the suspect is not being released.

NEWS FEATURE March 30, 1998

6,11pm

1:15

One month ago police came up empty in a search for a man in Cambria. The man was throwing rocks at cars on Moonstone Beach Drive, and he also pulled a knife on a deputy before running away into the woods. Last night police found him and arrested him.

NEWS FEATURE March 31, 1998

6,11pm

3:00

A husband, wife and two children...all dead after a bizarre murder suicide on Vandenburg Air Force Base in Base Housing. Master Sergeant Joseph Macaluso, his wife Pamela, and their two teenage sons had apparently been shot to death. Now authorities believe it was a murder/suicide.

FCC REPORTS ECONOMY MARCH 1998

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# FCC REPORTS GROWTH CONTROL/PLANNING MARCH 1998

NEWS FEATURE March 10, 1998

5pm

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WalMart could soon be putting down roots in Santa Maria. but not any of the locations previously considered. WalMart officials tell us they are in discussions with a developer in Santa Maria, as an anchor store. the site in consideration is at the Betteravia exit off highway 101. Previous sites were residential. WalMart says it is not a dome deal, but has every intention of bringing a store to the area.

NEWS FEATURE March 12, 1998

6pm

3:00

Cuesta College will soon have a new Paso Robles campus. They got the go ahead from Sacramento and it looks like everything else is in place.

NEWS FEATURE March 13, 1998

5,6pm

1:50

The board of governors unamiously ok'd the North County site for Cuesta College. the new campus would sit about 100 acres off highway 46. That's near the Martin Bros Winery. A new campus will ease pressure from the already crowded San Luis Campus.

NEWS FEATURE March 19, 1998

630a,5,6,11p 5:05

The campus at Arroyo Grande High School is going to be less crowded in three or four years due to the new high school being built but for now the district plans for the school to go on a split schedule so the campus can accommodate more students. This will only last until the new school opens.

NEWS FEATURE March 19, 1998

5,6,11pm

3:35

Cal Poly has to ok to build a Sports Complex. They will next go to the design and development stage next. If all goes well the construction will begin this summer.

NEWS FEATURE March 21, 1998

11pm

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Ground broke for a 50,000 square foot Food 4 Less in San Luis Obispo today. The store will be the anchor for an 8 acre shopping center called Higuera Plaza.

NEWS FEATURE March 21, 1998

5,6,11pm

4:25

French Hospital has been sold to Tenet Health Care. It is all expected to be official in the next ten days.

NEWS FEATURE March 24, 1998

5,6,11pm

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Albertson's would like to build new store in San Luis Obispo near the intersection of Broad and South Streets. the meeting will be held at the Mid State Bank tonight at 7 pm.

FCC REPORTS ENVIRONMENT MARCH 1998

#### FCC REPORTS SOCIAL CONCERNS MARCH 1998

NEWS FEATURE March 7, 1998

5.6pm

1:05

A fight broke out at lunch at the San Luis Obispo High School earlier this week. Several students have been charged with assault and face expulsion.

NEWS FEATURE March 13, 1998

6pm

2:05

The Spearmint Rhino and the city of Santa Maria go to court tomorrow. This case is over how far away the topless club in Santa Maria really is away from a church.

NEWS FEATURE March 15, 1998

11pm

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The Armory in Santa Maria is closed for good. Today the National Guard Armory Shelters closed for good due to state funding being stopped. The other Santa Maria homeless shelter only has 28 beds and that is hardly enough for the estimated 5,000 homeless on the central and south coasts.

NEWS FEATURE March 17, 1998

5pm

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Pornography won't be found on the streets of California. The US Supreme Court upholds a state ban on erotic newspapers and magazines sold in newsracks on public streets. Local vendor Wayne Barry argued that the state law banning their products violates freedom of speech, but the high court turned down those arguments.

### FCC REPORTS EDUCATION MARCH 1998

NEWS FEATURE March 6, 1998 5pm 2:20
Part of the Teacher Aide funding comes from a Title One grant--which is money earmarked for teaching students who score low on State reading, Language and Math. tests. The state says the schools are not using the money in its proper function. So that means the teachers aides at Atascadero schools could soon be out of a job.

NEWS FEATURE March 20, 1998 5,6,11pm 1:30
San Marcos High School proudly displays a mural drawn and painted by students.
15 advanced painting students have been sketching, mixing and painting since September and it is finally done. they stayed late and even came in on Saturdays. The finished mural is 8 feet by 32 feet and can bee seen on the side of the high school.

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### FCC REPORTS HEALTH CONCERNS MARCH 1998

### FCC REPORTS GOVERNMENT MARCH 1998

NEWS FEATURE March 5, 1998

5pm

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Travis Williams, the teenager charged with the murder of Mabel Agueda, an Arroyo Grande woman, took the stand in court today. He will soon stand trial for the home invasion and murder of the woman. Today's appearance was to discuss problems with certain parts of his testimony to police.

NEWS FEATURE March 14, 1998

6pm

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The city manager of Paso Robles resigned. And the City Council is doing nothing to stop him. Richard Ramirez has been the city manager since 1991. but at times it has been a strained relationship. So Ramirez and the city reached and agreement yesterday. Ramirez will step down on Monday. The city is in the process of looking for a new city manager.

NEWS FEATURE March 17, 1998

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Congressman Walter Capps visited Righetti High School in Santa Maria. The seniors had a chance to ask Mr. Capps questions on campaign financing and legalizing marijuana.

NEWS FEATURE March 18, 1998

630a,5p

3:30

The CMC has to pay for sexual harassment..nearly two million dollars. After a six month trial the jury in the case against the California Mens Colony ruled with the three women who accuse the correctional facility of sexually harassing them for the past few years. The combined total CMC will pay is \$1,978,000. That will go to Linda George, Leslie Ratcliff and Amber Gros.

NEWS FEATURE March 18, 1998

5,6pm

3:20

Michael Jackson's civil trial is finally over. The pop star won and is now being paid other monies from the former employees who jurors came to the conclusion--stole things from the Neverland Ranch.

NEWS FEATURE March 20, 1998

5,6,11pm

2:05

A former police officer from Pismo Beach says telling the truth about the department cost him his career. For the second day Mark Stewart took the stand as part of his lawsuit against the city of Pismo Beach. Stewart says the former chief told him a lie about an undercover drug operation that took place at Harry's Bar. Harry's Bars' owner, Paul Bailey also has a suit against the city and Stewart is named in that one. Stewart told jurors he made an agreement with Bailey that if he told the truth in a sworn statement that his name would be dropped from the lawsuit.

NEWS FEATURE March 24, 1998

6:30a,5,6p

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Charges against Patricia Baird have been dropped in the case against her in the

murder of Joseph Rodriguez. We're told there wasn't enough evidence against her.

NEWS FEATURE March 25, 1998 5,6,11pm 2:10 In the court room in San Luis Obsipo they are rehashing the problems and controversy surrounding the Pismo Beach Police Department. This is week two of a lawsuit brought by a former police officer Mark stewart, who claims he was defamed by the department and blacklisted at other law enforcement agencies throughout the state.

NEWS FEATURE March 26, 1998 5,6,11pm 2:05 22 year old Victor Rodriguez was in court today in the murder case of Benjamin Melendez. He claims it was self defense.

NEWS FEATURE March 28, 1998 5,6,11pm 5:15
The bizarre account of an Avila Beach shooting has been unfolding before a jury for the past two days. Mark Westwick is on trial for murder.

FCC REPORTS IMMIGRATION MARCH 1998

### FCC REPORTS NATURAL DISASTERS/SAFETY MARCH 1998

NEWS FEATURE March 1, 1998

11pm

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A car accident in Arroyo Grande takes a local man's life. Investigators say 68 year old Amos Rice of Arroyo Grande was driving his white sedan, turning left onto Traffic Way when he was broadsided by a 19 year old also from Arroyo Grande. She was driving a blazer. The truck flipped onto its roof, but the two people inside escaped without injuries.

NEWS FEATURE March 2, 1998

6pm

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Police officer in Arroyo Grande say they won't be charging anyone in the accident yesterday that killed one man. They are not sure who was at fault and so no citations will be issued.

NEWS FEATURE March 8, 1998

6pm

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A fire ripped through a Santa Barbara home this morning. The living room and one of the bedrooms of a house on Ballard Canyon Road were engulfed in flames. According to firefighters the home is severely damaged. No one was injured. The cause is still under investigation.

NEWS FEATURE March 11, 1998

5,6,11pm

5:05

Shortly before five this morning flames burst through the roof of a Fletcher Avenue apartment. More than a dozen firefighters extinguished the flames within a half hour. Crews were able to contain the blaze to a single unit, but once inside fire crews made a grim discovery. Firefighters uncovered the body of a 47 year old man under debris. More than three dozen residents were evacuated from their apartments. Neighbors say the sounds of pounding and screams jarred them awake.

NEWS FEATURE March 15, 1998

6pm

2:00

A night at the Santa Barbara County Fairgrounds ends in tragedy for one race car driver. 48 year old John Harmon died at the hospital after a mud racing accident last night. The vehicle he was driving throttle became stuck and kept accelerating through the finish line and eventually crashing into a portable restroom.

NEWS FEATURE March 21, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:15

The Lucky's store on Foothill had a fire in the back room. Some styrofoam meat trays in the backroom ignited, spreading smoke throughout the store. No one was hurt in the blaze.